

REMARKS

Claims 1 and 11 have been amended to clarify the invention and to better define the invention over the art. Claim 3 has been amended to correct a minor clerical error, and claim 21 has been cancelled, without prejudice. No new matter has been added.

Turning first to the rejection of claims 1-4, 5, 8-14, 16 and 19-21 as obvious over Radomsky et al. (US Patent No. 6,211,790) in view of Wolk et al. (US Patent No. 4,853,692) and Vercellotti et al. (US Patent No. 5,317,309), claims 1 and 11, as amended, both require that each transmitter be configured to transmit only a single unique signal comprising an identification code corresponding only to that transmitter. In Radomsky et al., a transmitter on the baby and a transmitter on the mother each send the same signal to the receiver, i.e., the signal is not unique to only one transmitter (col. 6, lines 35-38). In Wolk et al., the transmitter generates two different signals, a maintenance signal m (col. 3, lines 25-27), and a tamper signal A (col. 3, lines 57-60). In Vercellotti et al., the transmitter transmits two signals, a low-frequency signal that is broadcast continuously (col. 4, lines 13-15) and an ultra-high-frequency signal employing burst transmission (col. 5, lines 46-48). None of the cited references teaches a transmitter configured to transmit only a single unique signal comprising a unique identification code corresponding only to said transmitter. Therefore, independent claims 1 and 11, and dependent claims 2-4, 5, 8-10, 12-14, 16 and 19-20, which depend therefrom, are allowable over the cited art, and it is respectfully submitted that the obviousness rejection should be withdrawn.

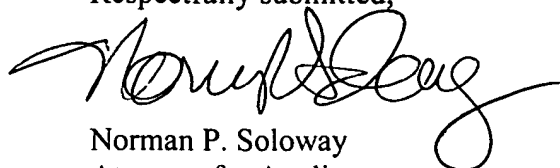
Having dealt with all the objections raised by the Examiner, the Application is believed to be in order for allowance. Early and favorable action are respectfully requested.

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